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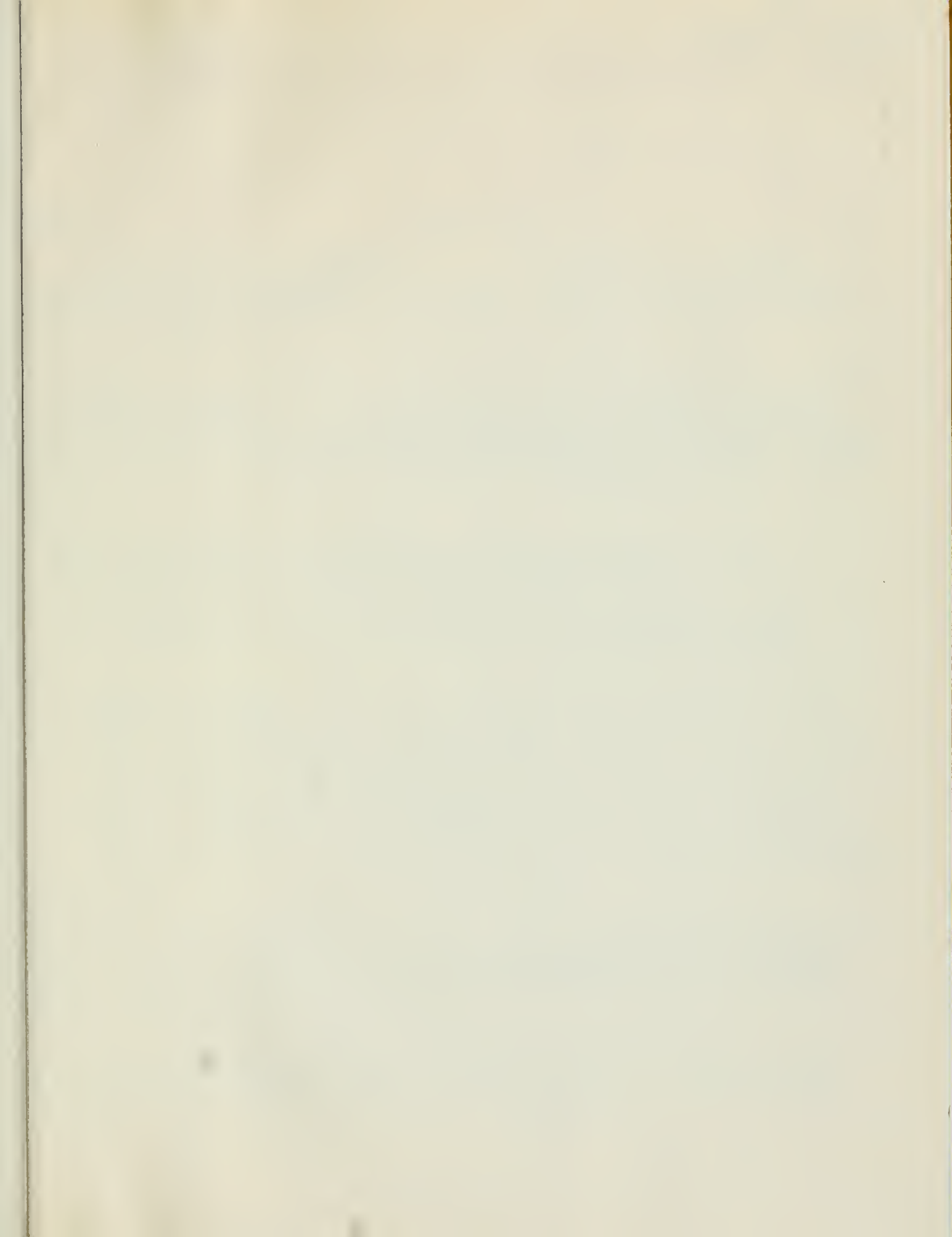
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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO OUR READERS

THE REPORT OF THE NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMISSION ON LIBRARIES

appeared in the Congressional Record, October 21, 1968.

Summary of Objectives and Recommendations

"The fundamental recommendation of the National Advisory Commission on Libraries, on which further recommendations are based, is that it be declared National Policy, enunciated by the President and enacted into law by the Congress, that the American people should be provided with library and informational services adequate to their needs, and that the Federal Government, in collaboration with State and local governments and private agencies, should exercise leadership assuring the provision of such services.

Objectives for overcoming current inadequacies:

- Provide adequate library and informational services for formal education at all levels.
- Provide adequate library and informational services for the public at large.
- Provide materials to support research in all fields at all levels.
- Provide adequate bibliographic access to the nation's research and informational resources.
- Provide adequate physical access to required materials or their texts throughout the nation.
- Provide adequate trained personnel for the varied and changing demands of librarianship.

Recommendations for achieving the objectives:

1. Establishment of a National Commission on Libraries and Information Science as a continuing Federal planning agency.
2. Recognition and strengthening of the role of the Library of Congress as the National Library of the United States and establishment of a Board of Advisers.
3. Establishment of a Federal Institute of Library and Information Science as a principal center for basic and applied research in all relevant areas.
4. Recognition and full acceptance of the critically important role the United States Office of Education currently plays in meeting needs for library services.
5. Strengthening State library agencies to overcome deficiencies in fulfilling their current functions."

The ALA Bulletin will carry the full report in the January 1969 issue.

ALA AIDS: "What to Do Before the Censor Comes--and After," has been revised and issued as a special supplement to the November, 1968 Newsletter on Intellectual Freedom. The 4-page reprint is now available from the Office for Intellectual Freedom of the American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611. Prices: 25 copies for \$2.00; 50 copies for \$3.00; and 100 copies for \$5.00. Single copies are 10 cents each.

For storytellers and storytelling: Bibliographies, materials and resource aids, prepared by the Storytelling Materials Survey Committee, Children's Services Division, ALA, is available from the office of the Children's Services Division, American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611. Single copies, \$1.50; 10 or more copies, \$1.00 each.

A RECENT MEETING of the Rocky Mountain Technical Services Council in Salt Lake was attended by two Montana Librarians, Earle Thompson, Dean of Library Service at the University of Montana and David Hoffman, Coordinator of Library Development at the State Library. The meeting was a planning session on a regional information system for the eight states which would provide information, materials and reference service primarily to aid the development of small business and industry. Mr. Hoffman was appointed to the newly created committee which will investigate setting up the network.

AVAILABLE: Twenty years of National Geographics at the Livingston Public Library, Livingston. Contact Mrs. Fred Gibson, Librarian, if you are interested.

A NEW MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL is Phillip Ward, Jr., Director, Instructional Services, Department of Public Instruction. Mr. Ward replaces Marie Mastorovich who resigned from her position as School Library Consultant in the Department of Public Instruction.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK plans will be made by the State Committee at its organizational meeting in Missoula on December 12th, Robert Sullivan, Dean, School of Law, University of Montana, has announced. Dean Sullivan is serving as Chairman of the Committee for this annual event which will take place April 20-26, 1969.

A VERY VALUABLE BROCHURE that will provide information on all of the state services to the blind and visually impaired is being printed. The pamphlet is the result of a joint effort by the State Library, the School for the Deaf and Blind, the Department of Public Instruction and the Division of Blind Services of the Welfare Department and will describe the services of each agency and the eligibility requirements. The brochure will receive wide distribution.

AUTHOR, MARIE MACDONALD was honored at a publication party given by the board of Directors of the Frontier Gateway Museum in Glendive on December 1, 1968. The occasion for the event was the publication of Mrs. MacDonald's book, Glendive. History of a Montana Town.

THE LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE of the Montana Library Association has scheduled a meeting for January 6, 1969 at the Great Falls Public Library. Mrs. Alma Jacobs, Chairman, has proposed that the Committee meet to discuss the development of standards for all types of Montana libraries. Andrew Fisher, Library Services Program Officer for Region VIII, Office of Education, Denver, is planning to attend.

A COMMITTEE OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION in the latest issue of "Just Between Ourselves" says that the average cost per capita required to give minimum adequate public library service is \$5.50. For libraries serving populations under 200,000 the cost will be higher. The book trade statistics show that the average cost of a book in 1968 was \$8.00 -- further evidence of the need for libraries to cooperate.

MONTANIANA: Pondera by the Pondera History Association. Pondera History Association, Conrad. Paper cover - \$5.00; hard cover - \$10.00. A history of Pondera County from prehistoric times to the present. The following photo histories are by Bill and Doris Whithorn: The Park County News, Livingston. \$1.00 each. Montana in the Good Old days; Photo history of Gardiner, Jardine, Grevasse; Photo history of Livingston, Montana. Doctors of the old West. A pictorial history of medicine on the frontier by Robert F. Karolevitz. Superior Publishing Co. \$12.95. This saga depicts the struggle to preserve life and health on the Western frontier. Montana adventure. The recollections of Frank B. Linderman by Frank B. Linderman. Edited by Harold G. Merriam. University of Nebraska Press. \$5.95. An autobiography which recounts the author's experiences as trapper, assayer, newspaper publisher and legislator. Rifles and war bonnets by Marian T. Place. Ives Washbourn, Inc. \$3.95. A juvenile history of the Ninth and Tenth Cavalry, made up of Negro soldiers, who campaigned from 1867 to 1891 in the West.

'69 DATES TO REMEMBER

American Library Association, Midwinter Conference, Washington, D.C.
January 26-February 1, 1969

National Library Week, April 20-26, 1969



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M. J. TRAYNOR, member of the Montana State Library Commission, will serve as chairman of the Commission during the coming year. Mr. Traynor, an attorney from Scobey, was elected chairman at the Commission's meeting in November.

AN IMPRESSIVE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE of the Montana Library Association, totaling 364 members, has been organized by Chairman, Margaret Warden. This group has been working with their local legislators informing them of the library program, the proposed library legislation which will be presented this session and of the budget needs of the State Library. Congratulations to Margaret and her fine committee for their effective efforts which will continue throughout the legislative session.

THE AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION is concerned about the widespread misuse of its name by various publishers and distributors who have stated that certain of their publications or lists of publications have been "approved" or "recommended" by ALA. In every instance in which such representation is made, librarians or school administrators should insist that the publisher identify the issue of an Association publication or the book in which the alleged "approval" or "recommendation" appeared. Librarians should also determine whether the publication reviewed by the Association is identical to the publication which is the subject of the representation. As part of this program librarians are requested to send copies of commercial advertisements, brochures and promotional materials in which reference to American Library Association "approval", "review" or "recommendation" is included to Mr. William Rutter, American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

ACTION IN MISSOULA is resulting from a recommendation of the Marvin study, A Plan for Library Cooperation in Missoula County, Montana. The Missoula Area Library Club has been formed with membership open to librarians, media center specialists and anyone interested in interlibrary cooperation and development. The first meeting was held December 2, 1968 and members elected Mrs. Letitia Johnson, Librarian, Sentinel High School, President. The Executive Council is planning the next meeting for Saturday, January 18th.

TWO PROGRAM MEETINGS will be featured at the 1969 Midwinter Meeting of the American Library Association in Washington, D.C. on Wednesday, January 29. At 8:30 p.m. that evening, a panel of librarians will discuss the reaction of the library profession to the major recommendations of the National Advisory Commission on Libraries Report. At an afternoon session on the same day, a panel of young librarians will present points of view of the younger members.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES to Florena Vinal and Frank Lowrance from their many library friends in Montana. Florena, Reference and Acquisitions Librarian and Frank, Coordinator of Grant Programs, Montana State Library, were married during Christmas Week in Corvallis, Oregon.

MONTANIANA: Copper king at war by Sarah McNelis. University of Montana Press. \$6.95. A biography of Frederick Augustus Heinze in which the author, a Butte teacher, discusses the second phase of the war of the copper kings. The rise and fall of American humor by Jesse Bier. Holt, Rinehart and Winston. \$10.00. This critical history of American humor is by a professor of American literature at the University of Montana. The search for General Miles by Newton F. Talman. \$5.95. G. P. Putnam. A biography of General Miles which examines his fall from popular esteem at the height of his career. Sunset for Red Elk by Roy White. Illustrated by Victor Mays. A juvenile published by Dodd, Mead & Co. \$3.75. The author bases his first book on his own experiences growing up on a Montana horse ranch in the early years of the century.





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CONTINUING EDUCATION NEEDS of Montana Library Personnel were discussed at a meeting at the State Library on February 7th by Montana Library Association Executive Board members and section chairmen, college librarians and library science teachers and the Federation Coordinators. Dr. Peter Hiatt, Director of Indiana Library Studies for the Indiana State Library and one of three consultants for the WICHE planning project to develop an effective continuing education program for library personnel, presided at the meeting. Dr. Hiatt along with the other two consultants will, at the completion of their survey, draft a plan designed to meet the needs for continuing education in the surveyed states on a regional basis. This plan will be submitted to an Advisory Committee, made up of the state librarians of all WICHE states, for their recommendations.

A \$1,000 GRANT TO THE COLLEGE OF GREAT FALLS LIBRARY has been announced by the Grants Committee of the Association of College and Research Libraries, a division of the American Library Association. Librarian, Ruth Jean Shaw, reports that the grant was requested for library materials that are needed for their Interim Term of in-depth study which provides opportunities for individual research, new methods of instruction and affords time for intensive work not normally achieved in the classroom but through the use of the library.

INSTITUTES FOR TRAINING IN LIBRARIANSHIP: The U.S. Office of Education has announced funding under Title II-B of the Higher Education Act of 92 Library Training Institutes for summer 1969 and the 1969-70 academic year. The institutes range in length from one week to a full year, and are planned for library personnel at different levels and of different kinds of libraries. Montana's one such institute in this list will be at Eastern Montana College, June 9-July 23, and will be for teacher-librarians. The State Library can supply single copies of the complete list of Title II-B institutes to Montana librarians requesting this list.

THE STATUS OF LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT IN MONTANA by Earle Thompson, Dean, University of Montana Library appears in the fall issue of Montana Business Quarterly. This article takes a comprehensive look at all aspects of library service in the state.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD of the Montana Library Association met on February 8th at the State Library to discuss plans for the Association Conference in Billings on May 8th, 9th and 10th. The Board also reviewed the agenda for the forthcoming Tri-State workshop in March which is planned for the executive boards of the Idaho, Wyoming and Montana Library Associations.

COPIES OF WHO'S WHO for the years 1948-49, 1952-53, 1954-55, 1958-59, 1962-63, 1964-65, 1966-67 are available from the Livingston Public Library. Contact Jean Gibson, Librarian, if you are interested.

MONTANIANA: Prospector, cowhand and sodbuster. Volume XI - The National Survey of Historic Sites and Buildings. U. S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service. For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. \$3.00. A survey of historic places associated with the mining, ranching and farming frontiers in the trans-Mississippi West.



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SENATE BILL #165 HAS PASSED both the House and Senate and has been signed by the Governor. This legislation provides for a third way to establish libraries by vote at either a general or special election. Much credit for the successful passage of the bill goes to the Legislative Committee and its Chairman, Margaret Warden. The amount of the appropriation for the State Library is not yet certain since Appropriation Bill #605 had not been passed at the time of adjournment and must now be considered by the extraordinary session.

THE PATHFINDER FEDERATION is the new name of the Great Falls Federation of Libraries. At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Federation this name was selected because it depicts the far-sighted goals of the members. It also ties the Federation historically to the area since the name refers to Sacajawea pointing out the path for the Lewis and Clark Expedition and the Indian woman guide will be the symbol for the Federation.

STANDARDS FOR SCHOOL MEDIA PROGRAMS are scheduled for publication in late March. The new standards replace the 1960 school library standards and the 1966 audiovisual standards and represent more than two years of intensive effort by the American Association of School Librarians and the Department of Audiovisual Instruction of the National Education Association. Copies of the STANDARDS can be purchased from the American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, or from the National Education Association, 1201 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. The price is \$2.00.

BOOKMARKS FOR AWARD WINNING CHILDREN'S BOOKS are now available from the Children's Book Council. The Newbery and Caldecott Bookmarks list the 1969 winner and runners-up, as well as all previous winners, and includes a short history of the award and a picture of the medal. Each bookmark sells for \$1.50 per 100 and may be ordered from: The Children's Book Council, Inc., 175 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10010.

THE STUDENT LIBRARIANS will hold their annual state meeting at the Park High School in Livingston on March 28th and 29th, 1969. Speakers scheduled for the Saturday program are Minnie Paugh, Reference Librarian, Montana State University and David Hoffman, Coordinator of Library Development, Montana State Library.

LIBRARY DIRECTORY CORRECTION: The report from the State Department of Public Instruction did not include the following school librarians in public schools: Missoula County - Margaret Gadbrow, Missoula Public Schools; Lewis and Clark County - Elsie Lundborg, Helena Public Schools.

MONTANIANA: Montana driftwood by Adelia M. Price and Horace M. Lane. Richard Glen Lane Publishing Co., E. Main, Mesa, Arizona. \$2.25. A picture book with text of historical sites in Montana. Glendive. History of a Montana town by Marie MacDonald. The Gateway Press, Box 1181, Glendive, Montana. \$7.50. The author traces the history of this town from "the Indian past" to the "city of the sixties".

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P R E S I D E N T N I X O N launched 1969 National Library Week with the following statement:

Libraries are the banks of our educational system. And they yield rich dividends in knowledge and in wisdom. They are a summing-up of past achievement and a stimulant to future progress.

Never have we had greater reason than this year to celebrate National Library Week. For never have our libraries played a more prominent role in our campaign against ignorance and for fullness of educational opportunity.

--Change is sweeping our academic institutions. Our libraries are sensitive to the currents, responsive to the tide.

--Modern technology is revolutionizing our system of public information. Our libraries, with new programs and new media techniques, have become exciting and effective centers of innovation.

--The need to bring the benefits of better education to those who have been bypassed by existing programs is more imperative than ever. By extending their services throughout the communities of America, our libraries immeasurably advance our goal, and perform the highest public good.

For these and all their selfless efforts to serve, I congratulate America's librarians -- a dedicated profession of men and women who enrich their fellow citizens, their communities, and their country.

Now the Bureau of the Budget has recommended a \$88,291,000 cut in funds for major library programs and would provide only \$46,209,000 for fiscal 1970. If our libraries are to extend their services as suggested by President Nixon, then these cuts must be restored. Immediate action is needed and all library friends are urged to write to President Nixon regarding the deleterious effect of these cuts and the great need for restoration of funds, if our library programs are to "perform the highest public good".

T H E R O O S E V E L T C O U N T Y L I B R A R Y recently received a gift of many volumes including series in the sciences, arts and literature from Time, Inc. Mrs. Kathleen Vereker, Librarian, reported. The gift was the result of a friendly altercation between Wolf Point and Time, Inc. which developed when an anti-freeze ad in Time implied if the product worked in Wolf Point at 50 degrees below zero, it would work anywhere. The President of the local Chamber of Commerce objected in a good natured letter to Time, Inc. and the Corporation responded by sending a member of the advertising staff to Wolf Point to attend a Chamber banquet and present an advertising campaign to enhance Wolf Point's image. The gift was presented and the Time, Inc. representative received the grand tour of the new library building during his visit.

Y O U N G R E A D E R ' S C H O I C E A W A R D results have been announced. The winner is Henry Reed's Baby-Sitting Service by Keith Robertson. The award will be presented during the P.N.L.A. conference in Seattle this summer.

THE NEWBERY AWARD will be presented to Lloyd Alexander for The High King, published by Holt, Rinehart and Winston; and the Caldecott Award will be given to Uri Shulevitz for The Fool of the World and the Flying Ship at the annual Newbery Caldecott Dinner during the American Library Association meeting in Atlantic City on June 24th.

"COOL IT WITH BOOKS THIS SUMMER and Every Summer" the Children's Book Council material advises summertime readers. The materials have been created by Edward Corey, the well-known children's book illustrator for the Council's sixth annual program to encourage summertime reading. The material can be ordered from: Vacation Reading, Children's Book Council, 175 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10010.

LIBRARY DEDICATIONS: The Billings Public Library will dedicate its beautiful building on May 25th. Valier dedicated its new library on April 27th. Residents in the area turned out in large numbers to see the attractive building and Mrs. Ruth Longworth, State Librarian, gave the dedicatory address. A plaque was presented to Mr. Ted Crawford, member of the library board, for spearheading the fund-raising drive which made the library possible.

A MUST FOR TRUSTEES are the series of workshops scheduled for June 14th, 16th, 18th and 20th in Missoula (University Center), Billings (Public Library), Wolf Point (Northside School) and Great Falls (Public Library). Librarians, county commissioners, school board members, and friends of libraries are also invited to attend. Mrs. Grace Stevenson of Tucson, Arizona and Dr. Richard Shannon of the University of Montana will be speakers and members of the 1969 State Legislature, State Library staff and Montana Library Association will also participate. The proposed standards for Montana Public Libraries, drafted by the Library Development Committee of MLA, will be discussed at each meeting. Anyone planning to attend one of the workshops who has not received a draft of the standards may obtain a copy by writing to the Montana State Library, 930 East Lyndale, Helena, Montana.

UNITED STATES NOMINEES for the 1970 Hans Christian Andersen Awards are author E. B. White and illustrator, Maurice Sendak. The awards are to be presented at the biennial congress of the International Board on Books for Young People in late summer. The nominations were made by the Hans Christian Andersen Award Nomination Committee of the Children's Services Division of the American Library Association. The Committee also chose a book, Up a Road Slowly by Irene Hunt to represent the United States on the International Honors list to be announced at the Congress.

MONTANIANA: Pioneer cattleman in Montana by Walt Coburn. University of Oklahoma Press. \$6.95. This is an account of the rise and decline of the Circle C Ranch, an early day cattle empire in Montana. Wild horses of the red desert written and illustrated by Glen Rounds. Holiday House, Inc. \$4.95. The author, who spent his boyhood on a ranch in Montana, describes a band of wild horses in the high barren country of the badlands. A juvenile. The beer cookbook by Berneita Tolson and Edith McCaig. Hawthorn Books, Inc. \$5.95. The authors are residents of Great Falls. Indian life on the upper Missouri by John C. Ewers. University of Oklahoma Press. \$7.95. This is an ethnohistorical approach to understanding and recording the old culture of the plains Indians. They rode the shining hills by Norman A. Fox. Dodd, Mead & Company. \$3.95. These stories, with settings in Montana, describe the last quarter of nineteenth century life in the west. The generous years by Chet Huntley. Random House. \$4.95. The author's memoirs of his years growing up in Montana before the first world war and into the mid-twenties. Jim Bridger by Willard and Celia Luce, illustrated by George I. Parrish, Jr. Garrard Publishing Co. \$1.98. A juvenile biography of Jim Bridger. Brad's flying saucer by Marian T. Place and illustrated by Don Lambo. Ives Washburn, Inc. \$3.95. This juvenile by a former Montana author recounts the adventures of a twelve year old in his attempt to sight and photograph a flying saucer.

REMEMBER

To attend - AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MEETING - JUNE 22-28 ATLANTIC CITY

To observe - NATIONAL RADIO MONTH - MAY, 1969



